Amend claim 1 to read as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A solid preparation for dialysis comprising a mixture of (1) particles of a first composition comprising core particles comprising particles of sodium chloride, and a coating layer covering the core particles and containing one or more electrolytes selected from the group consisting of calcium chloride, magnesium chloride, potassium chloride and sodium acetate and up to 50% by weight of sodium chloride, (2) particles of a second composition comprising core particles comprising particles of a sugar, the core particles being covered with a coating layer comprising said sugar or a different sugar and (3) an acid.

<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 1, 4, 6-7 and 10-12 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-5 and 7 of Kai et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,464,977) ("Kai"). A terminal disclaimer is submitted herewith to remove the rejection.